



Beaverton Police Department

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The Beaverton Police Department invites applications for Victim Advocate Volunteers

Beaverton Police Department Victim Advocate volunteers provide services for victims of crime in the city of Beaverton. Victim Advocates will take on-call shifts and during those shifts will be available to respond along with Beaverton Police Officers and/or Detectives to incidents of domestic violence, as well as other crimes where victims are present (excluding sexual assault).

Essential Functions:

- Advocates are available to take up to 3 shifts per month to provide team coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days per week (including holidays) to be called out to the scene of an incident and provide supportive advocacy, information, and resource referrals for victims of crime
- Advocates answer questions and provide explanations of the criminal justice system and arrest procedures
- Advocates engage in safety planning and problem solving assistance with victims
- Advocates offer emotional support and crisis intervention
- Advocates provide information on community referrals and resources available to victims of crime
- Advocates offer information on trauma, domestic violence, stalking, and self-care
- Advocates provide information on obtaining protective orders
- Advocates encourage and empower victims to make their own decisions and choices
- Advocates work closely with Beaverton Police Department Officers and/or Detectives, and Beaverton Police Department Victim Services Coordinator

If selected, Victim Advocates will receive 40 hours of training in victim advocacy, trauma, crisis response, domestic violence, working with law enforcement during an investigation, the criminal justice system, Victim Advocate program policies and procedures, and other topics. Advocates must successfully complete all training dates, a police ride along, and a drug screen before final acceptance to the Victim Advocate volunteer team. The 2015 Training Academy will be held in April and May 2015, dates and times to be determined.

Completed applications can be either dropped off or mailed to City of Beaverton Department, 4755 SW Griffith Drive, Beaverton, OR 97076. Applications are due by January 30, 2015.

Please contact Katrina Rodriguez, Beaverton Police Department Victim Services Coordinator at (503)526-2205 or krdriguez@beavertonoregon.gov with any questions or for an application. Applications can also be picked up in the lobby of the Beaverton Police Department.

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